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WASHINGTON

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"As the East Bay continues to grow, improving our transportation infrastructure becomes more vital," Stark said. "Updating public transportation, widening intersections for safety, and increasing the opportunities for people to bike and walk are priorities we need to continue to support. Our communities need all the help they can get, and I'm glad to have been able to help secure this funding for the district."

The full list of 13th district projects included in the highway bill is below:

Jurisdiction

Project

Funding

AC Transit

Build a "Bus Rapid Transit" line from Telegraph Ave. in Berkeley to E. 14th St. in San Leandro. Bus Rapid Transit includes new low-emission buses, preemption of red lights, and improved stops with real-time bus arrival information, providing rail-like service at a fraction of the cost.

\$418,000

Alameda Congestion Management Agency

Install emergency vehicle red-light preemption equipment along major streets in the I-880 corridor. This equipment allows emergency vehicles to travel safely through intersections by controlling traffic lights.

\$400,000

Alameda County Public Works Agency

On E. 14th

St. in Ashland and Cherryland, build new medians with trees and groundcover; widen sidewalks; underground all utility lines; and install new streetlights, improved bus stops, and new street furnishings.

\$600,000

Association of Bay Area Governments

Complete

a section of the San Francisco Bay Trail by building a bridge between Oyster Bay Regional Park in San Leandro and Metropolitan Golf Course in Oakland.

\$600,000

City of Alameda

Design

and construct a transit center on Alameda Point to connect bus and ferry service to a new rapid transit link to Oakland/BART.

\$1,672,000

Fremont

Reconstruct and widen the I-880/Route 262 (Mission Blvd.) interchange

\$3,200,000

Hayward

Reconstruct the I-880/Route 92 interchange.

\$1,400,000

Newark

Construct an overpass on Central Ave. at the Union Pacific railroad crossing.

\$600,000

San Leandro

Replace and widen the I-880 overpass at Davis St.

\$600,000

Union City

Phase

1 of the Union City Intermodal Station: Add an eastern entrance to the BART station and connection to Decoto Rd.; reconfigure the existing parking lot for better circulation; and add a 16-bus transit plaza for AC Transit, Union City Transit and Dumbarton Express.

\$3,553,000

Total

\$13,043,000